

Library News



Library Newsletter

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You Are Invited...
Please help us celebrate
the Tenth Birthday of our
New Main Library!
Saturday, October 1, 2016

10:00 AM
Park Ribbon Cutting

11:00 AM
*The SenateAires,
Men's Barbershop Chorus*

2:00 to 4:00 PM
Old Time Fiddlers

5:00 PM
Author Phillip Margolin

7:00 PM
Tom Grant Concert

*Read the full story of the library's birthday
on pages 4 and 5 of this newsletter!*

Summer Snapshots...

*It was an exciting summer filled
with reptiles, bugs, clowns,
parades, and lots of fun for
library lovers of all ages!*



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Announcing...



Enjoy streaming movies, audiobooks, music—and more—with Hoopla!

In October, a brand new library collection will be available to library card holders in Tillamook County. It features thousands of streaming movies, television shows, audiobooks, eBooks, comics and full music albums. Called Hoopla, this dynamic service gives you the freedom to experience, explore and enjoy what you want, whenever and wherever you want it. Available instantly, Hoopla materials have automatic returns, no late fees and no hold lines.

You can check out movies and TV shows for three days, music albums for seven days, and audiobooks and digital comics for 21 days. (Limit of 4 items per person, per month).

To get started, all you need is your Tillamook County Library card and a web browser, smart phone or tablet. You'll find Hoopla under the E-Resources tab on the library's home page (tillabook.org).

Introducing our Newest Librarian, Angela!



Hello. My name is Angela Arena and I started as the new librarian at the main library this past June. I was a library assistant at the Forest Grove City Library in Washington County for several years. In 2008 I went back to school to get my library degree, graduating in 2010. Most recently I was a librarian at the Cottage Grove Public Library where I got

A Sneak Peek At Your Library's Report Card

As your library completes the first year of the five year Tillamook County Library Futures Plan, we are excited to report some very positive results. Below are highlights from our 2015-16 library scorecard, which will be available later this fall.

- A 9.7% increase in library cardholders, exceeding the plan's goal of a 5% increase.
- Increased library programming for all ages, such as DIY programs for adults and teens.
- Enhanced community engagement, including a seasonal library newsletter, an annual community survey, and staff presentations and library open houses across the county, throughout the year.
- Streamlined operations, made more efficient with RFID (Radio Frequency Identification) technology and self-check machines.
- Improved facilities, including initial planning for a library park adjacent to the Tillamook Main Library and supporting the renovation of the North Tillamook Library in Manzanita by the Friends of the Library.
- Expanded bookmobile service, including two added stops and visits to special community events.
- Expanded community partnerships. With active partners such as the County Health Department, Helping Hands, CARE, Salvation Army and Homeless Connect, your library is helping to ensure that Tillamook County is a great place to live, work and play for everyone.

In our first annual community survey, your library also received positive feedback from residents across the county:

- 92.5% agreed or strongly agreed that the library provides good value to our community.
- 91% agreed or strongly agreed that the library helps build a better community through learning and knowledge.
- 85% agreed or strongly agreed that they are satisfied with the services provided by the library, and that the library is easy and convenient to use.

While we are happy with these results, we are also committed to continuous improvement. A primary benefit of the Futures Plan (available on the library's website) is that it offers a framework for planning and executing programs and services with greater effectiveness and intentionality. In the years to come, we will continue to utilize this framework to improve library services and to explore new ways to effectively meet community needs.

to do a little bit of everything. I am so excited to now be here at the Tillamook County Library. I feel like I have hit the ground running and it's been really fun! I'll be taking over the teen programming. So far we've made hula hoops, played a live action game of Pac-Man, made mini catapults, and played a rousing game of capture the flag in the

library after-hours! In addition to all this fun teen stuff, I will be doing computer training for patrons at the main library as well as at the branches. Plus I get to do collection development for audio books. I am really happy to be a part of this great library and look forward to getting to know the community!



Public Libraries and Student Success

by Ms. Melanie

Did you know that your public library can help your children achieve success at school? We can! Believe it or not, school success begins the day your child is born. Here at the library we begin teaching children the rhythm of language in Mother Goose on the Loose baby storytime. We continue the fun in Terrific Twos for toddlers and Preschool storytime for 3-5 year-olds. In these early literacy classes we focus on reading, singing, talking, playing and writing with your little ones. Your child will experience music, instruments, creative play, bubbles, balls, parachutes, puppets, rhymes and so much more! All of this activity trains your child's brain to be "ready-to-read." Once kids have a solid early literacy foundation, their brains are ready to recognize the patterns in words and therefore will have a much easier time learning to read. Reading is the key to school success.

But the fun doesn't stop there! See below for even more ways the public library will help your child be a successful student.

- Access to the Internet and educational databases for homework help
- One-on-one tailored reading suggestions for avid readers or those struggling to find that perfect book
- The annual prize-based Summer Reading Program to keep kids reading during the summer gap
- Librarians available for homework help during all library hours
- Library cards for all ages (even babies!)
- Teacher/homeschool parent library cards to support classroom instruction

Each one of these additional services is also available through all Tillamook County Library Branches. Please see the storytime listing below for branch storytimes.

Storytimes at the Branch Libraries

North Tillamook Library in Manzanita
Thursdays at 4:00 p.m.
Saturdays at 11:00 a.m.

Rockaway
Tuesday at 3:00 p.m.

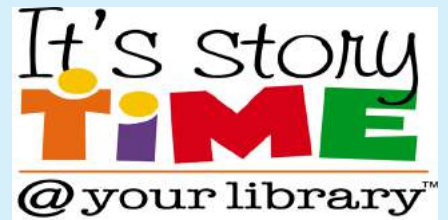
Garibaldi
Tuesdays at 3:00 p.m.

Bay City
Thursdays at 4:00 p.m.

South Tillamook County Library in Pacific City
Mother Goose on the Loose
Tuesdays at 11:00 a.m.

After School Club
Wednesdays at 4 p.m.

Movie Night
Fridays at 4:00
October 14, Nov 4 and
December 30



Storytimes at the Main Library

Tuesday
Terrific Twos
10:00 a.m.
(24-36 months)

Wednesday
Preschool 10:00 a.m.
(3-5 years old)

Legomania 4-5 p.m.
(6-12 years old)

Thursday
Preschool 10:00 a.m.

Gameapalooza
4-5 p.m.
(6-12 years old)

Friday
Mother Goose on the Loose
(birth - 24 months)
10:00 a.m.

Saturday
Mother Goose on the Loose
10:00 a.m.

Preschool @ 11:00 am

**Looking for Teen Events?
See page 8...**

Main Library Celebrates its 10th Birthday!

Sara Charlton, Library Director

The Main Library is ten years old? This is hard to believe! It took so long and so much work to make it happen. It is amazing to look back at this incredible success story!

In the mid-1980s the Library Board recognized that the current Library (210 Ivy Street, now North Coast Home Health) was not going to last forever. That building was built in 1949 as a car dealership. When the Tucker automobiles were out in the late fifties, one was on display in the dealership! The Library had purchased the property in 1962 and opened in 1963. The Library Board decided to plan ahead for a new Library. The Library Foundation was created in 1987 to be able to receive tax free donations. It took 5 years to get 501(c)(3) status.



The Main Library struggled with trying to find donated property for the new Main Library. Senator Mark Hatfield and Gerry Franks tried to help the Library to obtain the old McGregor building (where the new Safeway parking lot is now) and that did not happen. Senator Hatfield called often to check on the project and offer advice. It was an honor for me to have conversations with the Senator during those years. The Senator agreed to be our Honorary Campaign Chair since he lived in the County. The old Amory property was coming back to the City and that was a possibility, but that did not happen either. One



day Library Board member Clarice Maxwell's spouse, Stu Maxwell, learned that Copeland Lumber in Tillamook was closing and the property was going to be sold.

Stu ran to the Library with a phone number to call. When I called the number I had no clue who I was talking to. A very nice woman told me they would be in touch. After the call ended I learned that I was talking to the President of Copeland who wanted to do something for the community, since Copeland was closing. The Copeland President assigned a staff member, who grew up in Tillamook, to negotiate with the Library. The Library did not have the funds to purchase the property, and not a lot of money for a down payment. The Copeland family worked it out that they would hold the contract for us with a minimum down payment. After doing a fast community survey to see what people thought about the site, the deal was worked out and the Library finally had property to plan the building!

Richard Turi, a Library Architect from North Bend, Oregon was hired to design the Library. Rich Turi

has designed about 35 libraries around Oregon from Florence, to Sisters, Burns, Prineville, and Seaside. A meeting for public input was held on May 1, 2000 with many very interested residents coming to provide input about what they would like to see in their new Library. In August 2000,

the plans for the new Main Library were displayed for the public.

2001 - The Library Board, Library Foundation and Tillamook County Commissioners met to decide how to go forward. It was decided to do a citizen petition to prove there was interest for a new Main Library before the Commissioners would place it on the ballot. The petition gathering began at the Fair 2001. Then Sept 11, 2001 happened. Everything stopped due to the shocking events of that day. We waited until March 2002 to start up the petition again out of respect. At the end of July 2002 we had about 1,000 signatures and we only needed 800!

The Commissioners placed the new Main Library on the ballot in 2002. We were not lucky and the building bond did not get the votes needed to pass! Everyone that had worked so long and so hard was



devastated. Back to the drawing board! Feedback was that people thought the furniture should not be in the bond. The Library Foundation agreed to do more fundraising for furniture and any extra needs. Once again the Library Board asked the Commissioners to place the building on the ballot for \$3.7 million. In September of 2003, after 15 years of working on this project, the voters approved the building bond!

2004 - The grant writing began. The foundations that we were

everything was heading to Louisiana following the Katrina Storm. Construction costs increased \$500,000 in a month. All of us were in a panic that the project could not be finished with the funding we had. The decision was made to move ahead and to keep applying for grants.

Our supporters were wonderful, paying for brick, shelving, chairs, tables etc. The best furniture, which is made extra-durable for academic libraries, came in lower than expected so we would be as-

had narrowed the work down to two very different styles. As everyone agonized on which one to select, the decision was made to have both murals. The Children's Mural, by Julie Henson, is the lovely bright one going into the Children's Room. Helen Hill painted the one going up the stairs to the adult area. Donors graciously paid for this wonderful art!

The last year of the building project, Mr. Hampton, owner of Hampton Lumber would check on us to see how the funding was going. Mr. Hampton died in March 2006, but he had planned for others to keep checking on the project. The company provided us with a \$100,000 check to finish the project!

The GALA Ball for all the donors was held September 23, 2006. The Grand Opening was September 30, 2006, 19 years after the Library Board made a goal for a new Main Library. What an amazing journey to have been a part of all of it!

The Library Board, the Library Foundation and the Library Staff hope you will come celebrate the 10-year birthday of the new Main Library.



applying to wanted to see a bond passed before they had interest in our applications. Now we could apply with actual dollar figures. Happily working with the architect and grant writing, the new Main Library broke ground March 25, 2005 during a horrible rain storm. We used the old shed on the property and the Bookmobile to have the ceremony and then the party moved to the old Library.

In August 2005, Hurricane Katrina hit Louisiana. Before we knew it, plywood costs had gone up overnight from \$12 to \$34. It was hard obtaining building supplies at the original price because

sured at having beautiful furniture that would last 50 years. A donor purchased the puppet stage in the Children's Room, another bought a study room. A couple from Portland contacted us to donate the funds for the furniture in the Teen area. A Board member donated all the landscaping and the irrigation system. We had donations from \$1 to thousands, but we still had \$500,000 to raise, because of the Katrina after effects.

The Library Foundation had planned to have a contest for a mural for the Children's Room. After receiving art ideas from many wonderful artists, the Foundation



Photo captions, clockwise from top;

** A rainy groundbreaking on March 25, 2005.*

** Crowds gather for the Grand Opening in September 2006.*

** The crane-assisted installation of the clock gathered much attention.*

** Early construction photo show the upstairs interior.*

Tell Us Your Library Story...

We asked for your library stories and we received some wonderful testimonies...

"I love this library. I love the librarians that work here & I love the friendly attitudes and courtesy I receive. Thank you for being here."

Susie Ragan

"I have heavily used public libraries for 65 years, and Tillamook County has the all-time best! From preschool to "vintage", the library has enriched my emotional, intellectual, and spiritual life, as well as providing me with the career of my dreams. Great thanks to all the welcoming staff at each location, who always have the answers to my inquiries."

Anne Osborn Coopersmith

"In fear of not graduating with his class, my son came to this library and did all it took to not only graduate, but to walk proudly and with self respect with his friends. Thank you for his ability to shine...you made it possible!"

Cynthia Shirley

"We like to borrow library books because we don't want to buy any more books. Our bookshelves are full! Tillamook Library is a welcoming and peaceful place, and the librarians are extremely helpful, especially when ordering books from other branches. Thank you."

**Susan M. Roberts
Adrian Roberts**

"Sitting in rehab after my knee surgery, listening to Harry Potter audio books, helped take my mind off the pain and entertained me during boring hours." **Vikki Martin**



"The library has always been a home away from home for me. As a child, I read every single book in the children's section. I continue to read voraciously and I love our library system."

Jane Spence

"There's dinosaur books, puzzles and snuggly animals."



Teddy Shepard, Age 4

"A great library to come & discover unlimited amounts of creativeness for the little ones that enjoy all the books and activities offered at this library. We loved our visit and felt welcomed."

Rene Verduzco

"I live by the South County Library in Pacific City. I come down almost every day with my little sister. We both love all the books, computers, and games. When we get to visit, it feels like we're living in heaven. That's my library story."

Breyton Howard, Age 13

"The summer reading clubs have changed my reading arrangement and has helped me set goals for myself."

I want to thank the Rockaway Beach Library especially because it has helped me the most. The staff are amazing and are so kind and generous."

Fayth Moschetti, Age 10

"When I was growing up in S.E. Portland, we always thought of our local library as not just a spot to pick up books, but as a sanctuary. It was open at night, warm in the winter and cool in the summer. A terrific place to hang out and it didn't cost a nickel unless you had a book overdue!"

Vivian Starbuck

"I want to give praise to Anna for her extremely valuable help. She is outstanding and definitely is an asset to Tillamook County Library. Can't thank her enough. She is what librarians should strive to be."

Jane

"My two-year-old daughter and I love to go and spend time at the library. I love that they have a computer for adults to use and lots of space for her to run and play. She loves all the toys, and books, and that she doesn't have to whisper in the childrens wing. Love the staff and everything the library has to offer."

Natalie and Ava



Fall Programs for Adults

Fall Craft Classes at

The Tillamook County Main Library

Fairy Lanterns
Friday, Sept. 23,
2016

Fairy Houses
Monday, Sept. 26,
2016

**Part 1 - Wire-
wrapped Project**
Friday, Oct 7, 2016
Learn to make parts
for the window
hanging project on
October 14th.

**Feathery Mardi Gras
Masks**
Monday, Oct 10,
2016

**Part 2 - Wire-
wrapped Window
Hangings**
Friday, Oct 14, 2016
Complete the wire-
wrapped project
started on Oct 7th.

**Macramé Plant
Hanger**
Friday, Oct 21, 2016
Learn basic knots
and make a beautiful
plant hanger.

**Cornucopia
Centerpiece**
Friday, Oct 28, 2016

**Salt or Cinnamon
Ornaments**
Friday, Nov 4, 2016
Make ornaments to
decorate your tree or
create a wreath.

Angel Tree Toppers
Friday, Nov 18, 2016
Make your own
gorgeous tree topper
using sparkly fabrics
and embellishments.

All classes begin at
2:30 PM. To register,
call 503-842-4792

FOCUS



Twelve Easy Ways to Improve Your Photography

Tues, October 4 @ 1:00 pm
South Tillamook County
Library in Pacific City

Thurs, October 6 @ 3:00 pm
North Tillamook Library
in Manzanita

Oregon Humanities Discussions at North Tillamook Library in Manzanita

* Thurs, Nov 3, 4 PM
Exploring Belonging

* Thurs, Dec 1, 4 PM
Too Busy to Rest

Computer Tutoring

We will once again be offering 45 minute individual appointments this fall!

We can help with many kinds of basic computer questions, including beginning internet browsing, assisting with filling out online applications, or helping veterans apply for medical benefits. We can also tutor patrons on using tablets or smartphones and demonstrate how to check out electronic magazines, ebooks, e-audiobooks from our digital library. Appointments are usually on Friday afternoons and can take place at Tillamook Main or at any Branch Library. You can schedule your appointment by calling your branch or the library at 503-842-4792 and asking for Angela.



SLIDE SHOW Journey to the Bottom of the Grand Canyon

Tuesday, November 1 @ 1:00
South Tillamook County
Library in Pacific City

Thursday, November 10 @ 3:00
North Tillamook Library

Tales of a Librarian...

by Bill Landau, Extension Librarian

Training Wheels

One of the best days of my life came when I was six years old and my dad decided it was time to take the training wheels off my bike.

For more than a year I had trusted those training wheels to keep me upright. They taught me how to balance, how to turn corners and most importantly, how to perform a cool dismount.

But one day, I came home to find my dad with a wrench in one hand and my training wheels in the other. I panicked at first and shed a few worried tears. Could I stay upright without my trusty training wheels?

Dad convinced me to get on my bike and try riding while he trotted behind, holding on to the back of the bike seat so I wouldn't tip. And it worked! I was actually riding without training wheels and I was elated. After a few blocks, I glanced back and realized my dad was not there. He had let go and I was truly riding solo.

I circled back and Dad told me I had passed the test and I could now ride anywhere I wanted to go in our safe little Iowa town. Anywhere!

My six-year-old mind was blown. Should I go to the swimming pool? To the ball field? To my best friend's house? No, none of those would do. My very first solo bike trip was to the public library! Naturally, I checked out far too many books than

I could safely ride with so I ended up walking back home.

Looking back, there is a lot of real-life symbolism in this story. The training wheels could be an analogy for all the work and instruction my parents, teachers and the library provided from the time I was a youngster. Their guidance in my early childhood development skills shaped me and gave me confidence to learn and grow, and to get ready for the day when the "training wheels" came off so I could blossom in a school setting. Unfortunately, not all young children have parents who make certain their children are prepped for school. As a result, more and more of these childhood development skills fall into the hands of your public library. We become the training wheels the students rely on to succeed in life. And the library is not just an important part of early childhood development. We stay focused on children at every stage of their lives... grade school programs, teen meetings and more.

Could I have learned to ride a bicycle without training wheels? Maybe...but it would have been a tough challenge with lots of skinned knees along the way.

Could I have been a good student without all the help from my public library? Maybe...but maybe not. Why take a chance? Make sure your kids get to the library today.

"Read To Your Pet" Winner Announced!

Skyler Veeke's photo of herself reading to her cow, Lucky Bear, received the most votes in our photo contest! Congratulations to the both of moooo!



Teen Programs @ Main Library

Thursday, Oct 13, 5:30-6:45 pm:
Teen Read Week! Let's make READ buttons and do paper crafts! We can even talk about books!!

Thursday, Nov 10, 5:30-6:45 pm:
Teen Table-Top Gaming! We will get out the board games and cure our boredom!

Thursday, Dec 8, 5:30-6:45 pm:
Sweet Teens! Having visions of sugarplums? Let's make some candy sushi, marshmallow animals and other sweet treats!

Teen Programs @ South Tillamook County Library

Friday, Oct 28, 5:00 PM
After Hours Foam Dart Blaster Battle: ZOMBIES

Tuesday, November 29, 5:00 PM
Mini Weapons of Mass Destruction

Tuesday, December 20, 5:00 PM
Sweet Treats

Movie Night
Fridays at 4:00
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